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CELEBRATING THE 95TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 25, 2017

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the City of Riviera Beach, Florida. Riviera Beach is celebrating its 95th anniversary with a major event, "Happy Birthday, Riviera Beach."

Riviera Beach is known as the "little city by the sea." Descendants of Bahamian settlers were among those who decided on September 29, 1922 to create the Town of Riviera. At the time of its incorporation, Riviera was one of the largest shipping points for fish on Florida's east coast. That fishing capacity drew more Bahamians to the area, including many black Bahamians.

Mr. Speaker, in 2012, that strong tie would become the basis for the formation of a sister city relationship between the cities of Riviera Beach and Freeport on Grand Bahama. Riviera Beach, with its diverse population, has become known as a great place to live, work and play. I am very proud of this fine city, its residents and its elected officials, and I am glad that it has always been part of my Congressional district. Happy Birthday, Riviera Beach.

HONORING THE SAINT LAWRENCE SCHOOL ON ITS CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 25, 2017

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Saint Lawrence School of West Haven, Connecticut as they mark their centennial anniversary—a remarkable milestone for this wonderful educational institution.

The Saint Lawrence Roman Catholic Church named its first resident pastor, the Reverend Jeremiah Curtin, in 1895, and it was his fondest wish that a school could be established for the parish children. Though it took much time, in 1917 construction of the Saint Lawrence School began under Father Curtin's dedicated direction. Soon, four classrooms were ready and three Sisters of St. Joseph Chantry arrived to begin teaching. The school quickly grew, both physically and in student population, and within a decade, configurations for grades 1 through 8 were completed.

Throughout its 100-year history, thousands of students have passed through the halls of Saint Lawrence School, receiving educational

nourishment of the mind, body, and soul. Since its inception, students of Saint Lawrence School have not only received an academic education but have also learned the importance of giving back to one's community. In its earliest days during World War II, the school served as a fallout shelter with water and food stored in the basement. Students and staff worked diligently to raise scholarship funds and plan community social activities.

It was a Catholic education that taught me the best value of my time on earth is to give back to my community and my neighbors. In no small way, it moved me to serve the larger community, and instilled in me a commitment to the moral purposes of good government. Education is the cornerstone of success, opening the doors of opportunity and allowing our children to pursue their dreams. A Catholic education embodies the very best of our values, and faith, balancing academic rigor and the important lessons of service. This is particularly true for the Saint Lawrence School. Students are not only provided the skills and tools that they need academically, but they develop an appreciation and understanding of the impact their contributions can make in the world. It is from that strong foundation of academic excellence and community service that they can build their future success.

A cornerstone of faith and education for a century, the Saint Lawrence School has created an educational environment which fosters the spiritual, academic, and physical growth of its students and challenges them to use their talents in service—an environment that is reflected throughout their curriculum and in the day to day activities of the students, faculty, and staff. I am proud to stand today to extend my sincere congratulations to them as they celebrate their 100th Anniversary, and wish them all the best for many more years of success.

CHILDREN'S CARDIOMYOPATHY AWARENESS MONTH

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 25, 2017

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Children's Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month this month.

Pediatric cardiomyopathy is a rare heart condition that affects the muscles of the heart in infants and children. According to the Pediatric Cardiomyopathy Registry, one in every 100,000 children under the age of 18 in the U.S. is diagnosed with cardiomyopathy. Approximately 40 percent of children with symptomatic cardiomyopathy undergo a heart transplant or die from cardiac complications within two years. Pediatric cardiomyopathy is a chronic disease that requires a comprehensive treatment approach.

Based in Tenafly, New Jersey, the Children's Cardiomyopathy Foundation (CCF) is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness of pediatric cardiomyopathy. CCF works to raise awareness of cardiomyopathy in children and provides resources and supports to families struggling with the diagnosis of cardiomyopathy in their young children. CCF aims to encourage better detection, prevention, and treatment for patients, and I

thank them for these efforts. I invite my colleagues to join me in commending this organization for their lifesaving work.

Last Congress, I introduced the Supporting Athletes, Families and Educators to Protect the Lives of Athletic Young Act, known as the SAFE PLAY Act, with Senator BOB MENENDEZ of New Jersey. This legislation would provide school systems with resources to raise awareness for youth athlete safety, encourage the development of best practices to prevent, report, and address injuries, and educate teachers, students, and coaches on the risks of cardiomyopathy and other critical cardiac conditions. It would also allow students to learn CPR and how to use an automated external defibrillator (AED) to help prevent death in the event of sudden cardiac arrest. This legislation would increase school safety and help reduce the number of deaths from this condition on school property.

Mr. Speaker, I would like my colleagues to take a moment and recognize the families struggling with having a child who suffers from this terrible disease, as well as the organizations working to provide them with the necessary support.

RECOGNIZING THE NIPSCO LUMINARY AWARDS

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 25, 2017

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise to commend the recipients of this year's NIPSCO Luminary Awards. The Luminary Awards were created to honor prominent individuals or organizations for their exemplary leadership. This year's honorees include Earline Rogers, Jim Arnold, Bill Hanna, ACRES Land Trust, Dunes Learning Center, and the Northwest Indiana Information Security Sharing Alliance (NISSA). For their outstanding contributions to the community in Northwest Indiana and beyond, the honorees were recognized at a ceremony on Thursday, September 21, 2017, at NiSource Corporate Headquarters in Merrillville, Indiana.

The Honorable Earline Rogers, former Indiana State Senator, is this year's recipient of the Community Leadership Award. Earline served within the Indiana General Assembly for more than three decades. In addition, she is also a retired school teacher. Earline has dedicated a lifetime of service to the community of Northwest Indiana and has touched the lives of countless students through her teaching career. For her noteworthy dedication to public service, Senator Rogers is worthy of the highest praise.

The Honorable Jim Arnold, former Indiana State Senator, is the recipient of the Community Leadership Award. Jim is also a member of the LaPorte Community School Board. For over fifty years, Jim has devoted his time and efforts to public service. His lifelong commitment is truly admirable, and he is worthy of the honor bestowed upon him.

The recipient of this year's Environmental Stewardship Award is ACRES Land Trust, Indiana's largest and oldest local land trust. Today, ACRES includes land throughout thirty-two counties across northeastern Indiana,